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A security guard tries to maintain order where people wait in line for gasoline in Port-au-Prince, Haiti Friday, Jan. 15, 2010. A powerful earthquake hit Haiti Tuesday.

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Struggle to aid Haitians as fears of unrest rise

By MIKE MELIA and ALFRED de MONTESQUIOU
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PORT-AU-PRINCE, Haiti – Hundreds of U.S. troops touched down in earthquake-shattered Port-au-Prince overnight and were soon handing out food and water to stricken survivors, as relief groups struggled to deliver aid Friday and fears spread of unrest in Haiti's fourth day of desperation. Pockets of looting flared across the capital. Small bands of young men and teenagers with machetes roaming downtown streets helped themselves to whatever they could find in wrecked homes.

"They are scavenging everything. What can you do?" said Michel Legros, 53, as he waited for help to search for seven relatives buried in his collapsed house. A Russian search-and-rescue team said the general insecurity was forcing

them to suspend their efforts after nightfall.

"The situation in the city is very difficult and tense," said team chief Salavat Mingaliyev, according to Russia's Interfax news agency.

Hard-pressed government workers, meanwhile, buried thousands of bodies in mass graves. The Red Cross estimates 45,000 to 50,000 people were killed in Tuesday's cataclysmic earthquake. Up to 50 percent of the buildings in the capital and other hard-hit areas were damaged or destroyed, U.N. Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon said in New York.

More and more, the focus fell on the daunting challenge of getting aid to survivors. United Nations peacekeepers patrolling the capital said people's anger was rising that aid hasn't been distributed quickly, and warned aid convoys to add security to guard against looting.

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In a gender shift, more moms become breadwinners

By HOPE YEN
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WASHINGTON—The number of working moms who are the sole breadwinners in their families rose last year to an all-time high, and the number of stay-at-home dads edged higher, in a shift of traditional gender roles caused partly by massive job losses.

The number of moms who were the only working spouse rose for the third straight year, according to Census Bureau figures released Friday. The number of dads who were the only working spouse dropped, and the number of stay-at-home dads ticked higher.

The figures are for married couples with kids under 18.

"Women are really stepping in and helping families stay afloat. The question is whether men are stepping up and picking up the slack around home," said Kristin Smith, a family demographer at the University of New Hampshire.

In most households with moms as breadwinners, both parents were working until the husband was laid off or retired, and the wife remained in her job. In other situations, a non-working wife may have rejoined the labor force, in a growing industry such as teaching or health care, to sustain the family income after the husband was let go.

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Pentagon finds mistakes by U.S. officers over Hasan

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AP National Security Writer

WASHINGTON (AP)

— Several officers failed to use “appropriate judgment and standards” in overseeing the career of U.S. Army Maj. Nidal Hasan and their actions should be investigated immediately, according to an internal investigation into the November Fort Hood massacre that left 13 people dead.

A report released Friday says that commanders must be encouraged to look for cues that could prevent a similar attack.

“The report raises serious questions about the degree to which the entire Department of Defense is prepared for similar incidents in the future, especially multiple simultaneous incidents,” Defense Secretary Robert Gates said.

According to two officials familiar with the case, as many as eight Army officers could be disciplined for failing to do anything when Hasan displayed erratic behavior early in



Former Army Secretary Togo D. West Jr., left, and former chief of naval operations, retired Navy Adm. Vern Clark, take part in a news conference at the Pentagon, Friday, Jan. 15, 2010, to discuss the results of their independent review related to Ft. Hood shooting.

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his military career. The officials spoke on condition of anonymity because that information has not been publicly released.

Retired Adm. Vernon E. Clark and former Army secretary Togo D. West Jr., who led the investigation, told reporters that there were discrepancies between Hasan's performance and

his personnel records.

Their investigation also found that his top-level security clearance had not been properly investigated. Had policies been properly followed, investigators say his clearance may have been revoked “and his continued service and pending deployment would have been subject to increased

scrutiny.”

Gates said the findings were unacceptable and directed Army Secretary John McHugh to put new procedures in place by summer.

“It is clear that as a department we have not done enough to adapt to the evolving internal security threat” and the military “is

burdened by 20th century processes and attitudes mostly rooted in the Cold War,” Gates said.

Officials say that several midlevel officers overlooked or failed to act on red flags in Hasan's lax work habits and his fixation on religion. Hasan was seen by the reviews as a loner who was passed along from office to office and job to job despite professional failings that included missed or failed exams and physical fitness requirements.

Findings about Hasan and those who supervised him are contained in a confidential addendum to a larger report about the Pentagon's handling of potential extremism in the ranks and readiness to handle the sort of mass casualties Hasan allegedly inflicted.

The officers supervised Hasan when he was a medical student and during his early work as an Army psychiatrist at Walter Reed Army Medical Center in Washington. The report, called “Protecting the Force,” concludes that the Defense Department had outdated and ineffective means to identify threats from inside as opposed to outside the military. It also says the department's means of sharing and collating information about a potential troublemaker are inadequate, one official said. The inquiry also questions whether the Pentagon is fully committed to FBI-run Joint Terrorism Task Forces. The report calls on the Defense Department to fully staff those teams of investigators, analysts, linguists and others so the Pentagon can quickly see information collected across government agencies about potential links between troops and terrorist or extremist groups. □

GENDER BREADWINNERS

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By the numbers, about 4 percent or 963,000 moms were the only parent in the labor force. The share of fathers as the sole worker was much bigger — 28.2 percent or 7.3 million — but still the lowest since 2001. The share of couples who both work stayed the same at 66 percent or 17 million.

There were 158,000 stay-at-home dads, up from 140,000 in 2008. Still, the number is less than 1 percent of married couples.

The recession's toll has been harder on male-dominated industries such as construction and manufacturing. There are also longer-term cultural changes at work, too, as more women earn college degrees and the better job opportunities they bring.

“The economic crisis is heavily affecting families, and what the latest data show is that gender roles are flexible and are going in the direction of egalitarian roles,” said Pamela J. Smock, a sociology professor at the University of Michigan. She said the shifts could have lasting

effects after the economy rebounds, as people become more accustomed to the roles of breadwinner moms and stay-at-home dads.

Smith sees a continued reliance on wives as breadwinners, “particularly if we see a jobless economic recovery like we did after the 2001 recession.”

Her research on working moms found that employed wives last year contributed to 45 percent of total family earnings. That was up from 44 percent in the previous year, the large single-year increase in the last decade.

The latest trends coincide with overall increases in women in the work force. In fact, women are close to outnumbering men in the work force for the first time: Women held 49.9 percent of the nation's 131 million jobs last November, the most recent data available.

Analysts cautioned the latest numbers may be somewhat illusory, since women still hold fewer executive positions and their jobs, particularly among mothers, are often part-time.

Women's pay still lagged men's, though the gap has slowly been narrowing.

Women with full-time jobs earned salaries equal to 77.9 percent of what men earned, up from 77.5 percent in 2007 and about 64 percent in 2000.

According to the Census data, the increase in the number of moms as the only worker was seen across all racial and ethnic groups. But it was biggest among black women, whose numbers rose from 9 percent in 2007 to 12 percent last year as black men suffered disproportionately higher rates of unemployment. The share of Hispanic moms rose from 5 percent to 8 percent, while the share of white non-Hispanic women rose from 4 percent to 7 percent and the share of Asian women grew from 5 percent to 7 percent.

Other findings include:

— There are an estimated 5.3 million “stay-at-home” parents in the U.S., based on a narrow definition in which one spouse is in the labor force for the entire year and the other spouse is not for the reason of “taking care of home and family.”

— The number of stay-at-home moms declined from 5.3 million in 2008 to 5.1 million last year. □

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CDC: 1 in 5 Americans vaccinated against swine flu

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ATLANTA — About 1 in 5 Americans have been vaccinated against swine flu, according to the government's first detailed estimates of vaccination rates against the new pandemic.

The estimate is based on two government telephone surveys done in December and early January. The surveys concluded that an estimate 61 million people — or about 20 percent of the population — got a shot or nasal spray vaccination against swine flu since the vaccine became available this fall.

CDC officials said the numbers are good, considering it's a preliminary report about a hurried campaign against a novel flu virus, using a vaccine that did not become available to the general public until early October — and, then, only in limited supplies. "From our point of view, this looks very successful," said the spokesman, Richard

Quartarone.

The report backs up a rough estimate used by health officials in recent weeks that more than 60 million Americans had been vaccinated.

It also shows that vaccination rates were a bit higher for people deemed to be especially vulnerable to the new influenza, including pregnant women, children and people with underlying health conditions. About 28 percent of the 160 million in those targeted groups got vaccine. The report also offered estimates for other specific groups: Roughly 38 percent of pregnant women were vaccinated, about 22 percent of health-care personnel, and about 12 percent of non-elderly adults with high-risk medical conditions.

Also, about 29 percent of children ages 6 months through 18 years got vaccine. Health officials had tried to reserve doses for those groups, especially in the first two months, when vaccine trickled

out in short supply.

They were largely successful, according to the new report: Through mid-November, 85 percent of the 21 million doses administered went to people in the target groups.

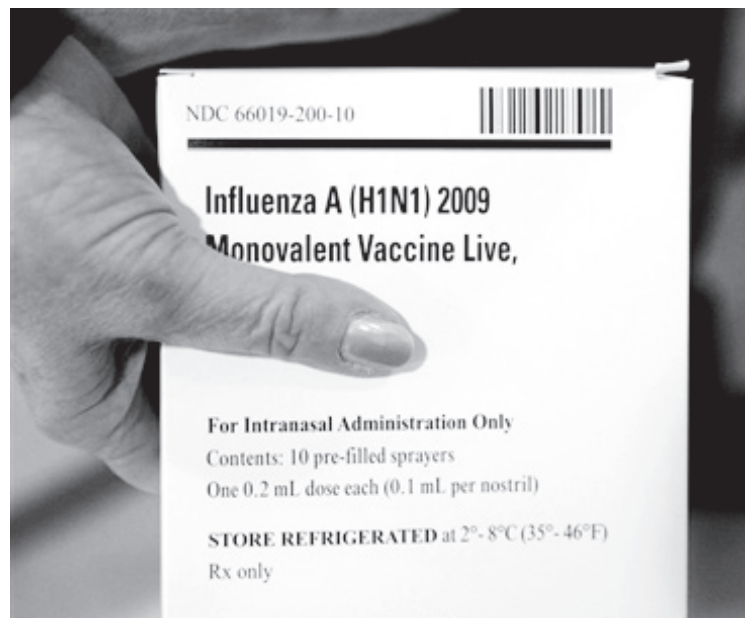
Supplies improved as the year drew to a close, and more vaccination clinics took all comers.

That explains why — as of the end of December — about 74 percent of administered doses had been given to people in the target groups, the CDC said.

The results were released Friday through a CDC publication, Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report. They were based on responses from roughly 30,000 people.

Also on Friday, CDC officials released new estimates of the numbers of Americans sickened, hospitalized and killed by the virus.

An estimated 55 million became ill from swine flu from the time it was first identified in April through mid-December — the first eight months of



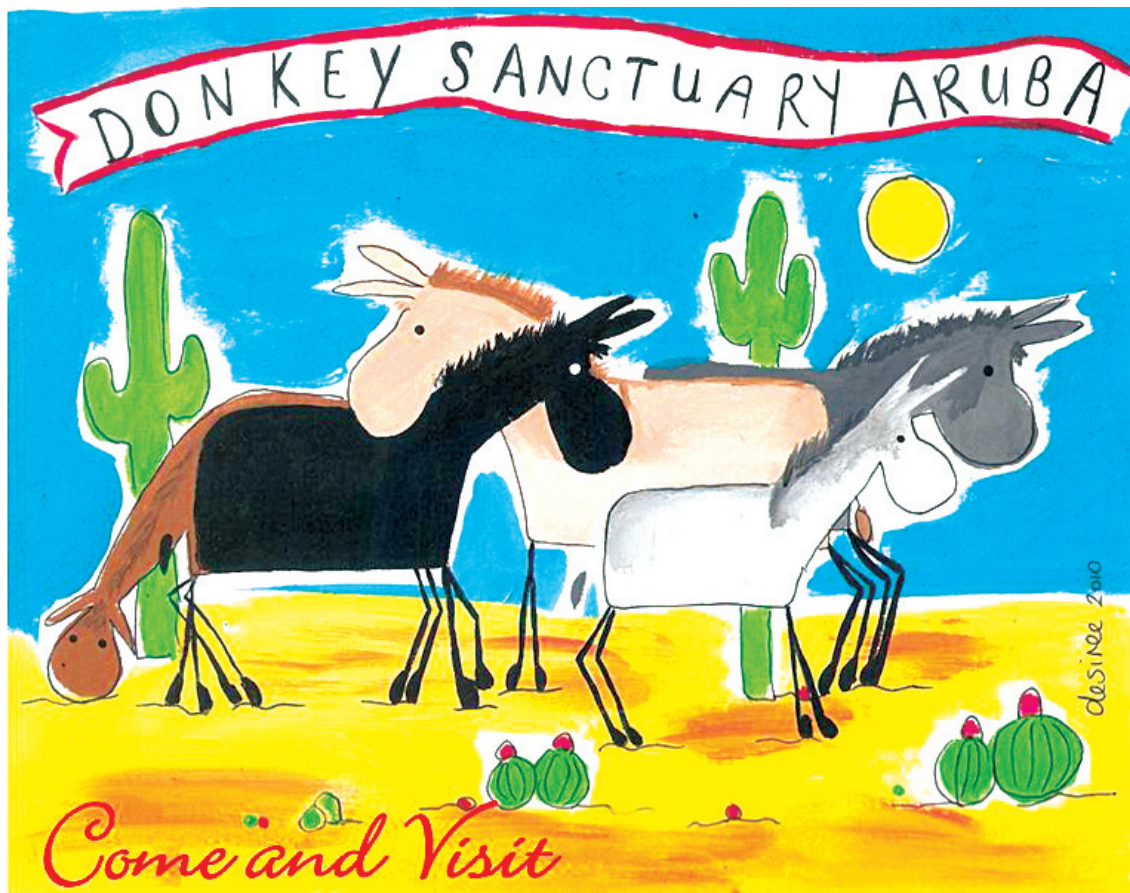
A worker holds a package of H1N1 flu vaccine at a flu vaccination clinic at Carlin Springs Elementary School in Arlington, Va., Thursday, Jan. 7, 2010.

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the pandemic. About 246,000 Americans were hospitalized and 11,160 killed. The CDC last estimated that through mid-November, the pandemic had sickened 50 million Americans and killed

10,000.

Swine flu infections have been waning since late October, and no states were reporting widespread cases as of last week. □



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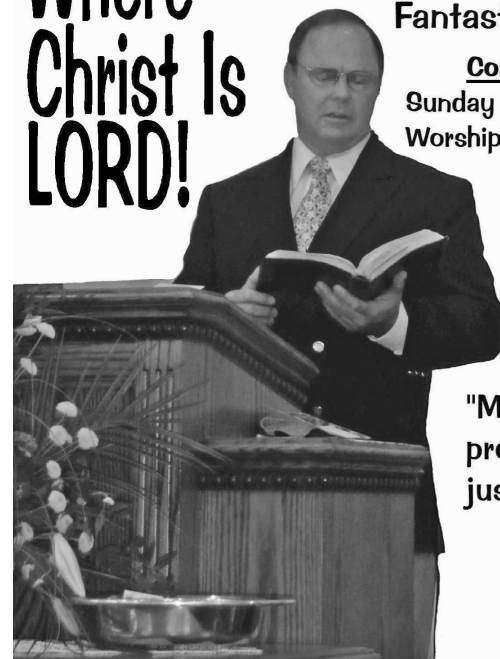
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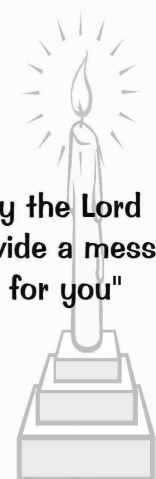
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Health talks in overdrive, eyes on Senate vote



President Barack Obama, right, stands with House Speaker Nancy Pelosi, D-Calif., during the House Democratic Caucus retreat at the U.S. Capitol on Thursday, Jan. 14, 2010, in Washington.

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WASHINGTON (AP) — President Barack Obama and congressional Democrats rushed to strike final deals on health care legislation Friday as a senior lawmaker warned that the outcome of a special Senate election in Massachusetts could sink the bill. Obama plans a trip to the northeastern state Sunday to campaign for endangered

Senate Democratic candidate Martha Coakley amid release of a poll showing an edge for the Republican Party in the race to fill a Senate seat Democrats have held for over a half-century. The race has turned into a referendum on the health care bill with the Republican candidate Scott Brown saying he will vote against the measure, which probably would take it down

because Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid needs 60 votes in the 100-member Senate for passage. All 40 Republicans are opposed. If Coakley loses, the strength of the Democratic coalition would be reduced to 59. That scenario could make it imperative for Democrats to push the legislation that will give millions of Americans health care insurance through before the election results are certified, which could take two weeks or more. Obama wants the bill — his top domestic priority — passed in time for his State of the Union address to Congress, likely early next month. “If Scott Brown wins, it’ll kill the health bill,” said Rep. Barney Frank, a Democrat. Frank said Coakley should have campaigned harder for the seat held for decades by Edward Kennedy, but he also said he thinks she

will win Tuesday’s contest anyway. White House spokesman Robert Gibbs dismissed suggestions the Republican would win in Massachusetts — and refused to say what might happen to the health care bill if he did. “As you heard the president say yesterday we’re going to get health care done,” Gibbs said. Frank’s blunt statement captured anxieties circulating in Congress as lawmakers intensified the already frantic pace of negotiations to reconcile the numerous differences between House and Senate versions of the legislation. The goal was to send the tax and spending provisions of the package to the Congressional Budget Office later Friday for a cost estimate, a necessary step before votes are cast. It was not clear if negotiators would pull that off. “I don’t know,” the leader of

the House, Speaker Nancy Pelosi, said when asked if the informal deadline could be met. “We’re going to go back to the White House and talk about some other issues this afternoon and probably have a better idea as to when we can send something.” Obama and congressional negotiators have participated in marathon talks in recent days. Hours of discussion ended after 1 a.m. Friday and resumed at midday Friday in the White House. Adding to the pressure, negotiators were searching both for more funding and additional cost control measures. A deal with organized labor to weaken a proposed tax on high-cost insurance plans left the legislation short in both these areas, even if it secured critical political support. The tax was designed to nudge Americans with generous coverage — among them many union members — into more cost-effective health plans, reducing health care spending. Reducing the impact of the tax left a \$60-billion revenue hole in the bill. “That’s part of the conversation — how you make it up,” said Rep. Chris Van Hollen, a Democrat. House Democrats heard Friday from former President Bill Clinton who sought to buck them up and alluded to his own failed attempt to pass health reform in 1994. Referencing negative public views on the current bill, Clinton told them they’d have to take a tough vote but sentiment would turn around if they could explain to their constituents what the bill contains. Rep. Phil Hare, a Democrat, summed up part of Clinton’s message: “If you’re going to get chewed out, that goes with the turf.” □



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'Miracle' jet landing survivors toast anniversary

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NEW YORK (AP) — Crying, cheering and embracing, the survivors of US Airways Flight 1549 raised a toast to life Friday, marking the anniversary of their harrowing water landing with a return to the place their crippled jet hit the Hudson River.

Hollering, they raised their glasses at 3:31 p.m., the moment of impact, on one of the ferries that plucked them shivering from the water just minutes after they splashed down. With the sun gleaming on the Hudson and festive sprays of colorful water shooting into the sky behind them, they made the toast at the approximate place where the plane went down after a half-day of gatherings to mark their miraculous survival.

At the ferry terminal, Capt. Chesley "Sully" Sullenberger was mobbed by well-wishers. Passengers ran to get their cameras and pose with the man who was so instrumental in saving their lives and became an overnight national hero for his cool demeanor in bringing the plane down safely after a flock of geese disabled the engines of the Airbus 320.

Among the group was Hannah Acton, whose husband, Patrick, was on the flight.

"Thank you so much," she told the pilot, tears welling behind her thick-rimmed glasses, clutching a copy of Sullenberger's book to her chest.

Later, she recalled the dread she felt after getting a call that her husband's plane had gone down, then not knowing for 23 minutes whether he was dead or alive as she watched the rescue on television.

"I was hysterical," she said. "I thought, 'Oh my God, now I'm watching my husband die.'" Over the past year, the survivors have been coping with the trauma of their terrifying crash, but also discovering new gifts. One passenger, Jennifer Doyle, is pregnant. Karin Hill became Karin Hill Rooney when she married her boyfriend, who was sitting next to her as the plane went down. Another two, Ben Bostic and Laura Zych, strangers at the time of the crash, have fallen in love and begun dating.

The year has also been a difficult one. Ann Oblak, who saw her 73rd birthday after surviving the crash, still sometimes has dreams of being on the plummeting plane. She and her husband took a train from their home in Lancaster, South Carolina, to reunite with the other passengers. The Croatia native has yet to get on a plane again, and she's been too afraid to get on a boat and return to the water.

Still, they were determined to join in Friday's celebration, she said, to see the other passengers again.

The plane's entire crew was present. Co-pilot Jeffrey Skiles was there, as were flight attendants Doreen Welsh, Donna Dent and Sheila Dail. Welsh had been nervous as the anniversary approached. After nearly drowning as the river filled the back of the plane, she developed post-traumatic stress disorder and a fear of water. Returning to the Hudson for the ferry ride was scary.

After the toast, she sat on a bench and found herself in tears. But after all that fear, she was crying for a different

reason.

"How lucky we all are. How lucky we are to be here," she said.

For the toast, one passenger provided champagne. Another arranged for Grey Goose vodka to donate some bottles of liquor, said Pat Smith, a spokesman for NY Waterway, the employer of ferry crews that rescued many of the 155 people aboard. It was apparently a wry nod to the flock of geese that disabled the plane's engines.

Smith said that some passengers had approached NY Waterway to ask their help in arranging the on-the-water celebration. The ferry



US Airways Capt. Chesley Sullenberger, right, speaks with flight attendant Doreen Walsh, center, as flight 1549 passengers Dragutin Oblak, 2nd-right, and Ann Oblak, left, listen in New York, Friday, Jan. 15, 2010. Passengers, crew and rescue volunteers attended a breakfast commemorating the first anniversary of flight 1549 landing safely in the Hudson River.

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company donated the use of their terminal and boats for the event. The gathering allowed one woman to return the jacket that ferry Capt. Vince Lucante had given her and another passenger off his back. The two drenched women had sat, huddled together and shivering on the ferry, with their feet dug into the sleeves of his jacket. □

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UNREST ARISE*Continued from Front Page*

Ordinary Haitians sensed the potential for an explosion of lawlessness. "We're worried that people will get a little uneasy," said attendant Jean Reynol, 37, explaining his gas station was ready to close immediately if violence breaks out. "People who have not been eating or drinking for almost 50 hours and are already in a very poor situation," U.N. humanitarian spokeswoman Elisabeth Byrs said in Geneva. "If they see a truck with something, or if they see a supermarket which has collapsed, they just rush to get something to eat."

The logistical obstacles were many. "There are a lack of trucks, lack of fuel, blocked roads and so on," U.N. humanitarian chief John Holmes said in New York. Ban Ki-moon, U.N. secretary-general, said the U.N. World Food Program began delivering food Thursday and as of Friday was feeding about 8,000 people several times a day, with high-energy biscuits and ready-to-eat meals.

"Obviously, that is only a drop in the bucket in the face of the massive need, but the agency will be scaling up to feed approximately 1 million people within 15 days and 2 million people within a month," he said. The U.N. would set up 15 food-distribution centers, he said.

The WFP already had food warehoused in Haiti before the quake, and would be flying in much more. Spokeswoman Emilia Casella noted the regular food stores in the city had been emptied by looters. More than 100 paratroopers of the U.S. 82nd Airborne Division arrived at Toussaint L'Ouverture International Airport overnight, boosting the U.S. military presence to several hundred on the ground here, and others have arrived off Port-au-Prince harbor on the aircraft carrier USS Carl Vinson.

Within hours, an 82nd Airborne rapid response unit was handing out food, water and medical supplies from two cargo pallets outside the airport, a helicopter lifted off with water to distribute, and a reconnaissance chopper went searching for drop zones around the capital to move out more aid. Soldiers said they expected more supplies to arrive from the U.S. later in the day. The U.S. Southern Command said other paratroopers and Marines would raise the U.S. presence to 8,000 troops in the coming days. Their efforts will include providing security, White House spokesman Robert Gibbs said. President Barack Obama promised an expansive U.S. effort to help Haiti survive its disaster and rebuild the country longer term. He said he would meet Saturday with



Scavengers look for goods amid the rubble of collapsed buildings in Port-au-Prince, Friday, Jan. 15, 2010. A powerful earthquake struck Haiti on Tuesday.

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former Presidents George W. Bush and Bill Clinton to lead a drive to get the American people more broadly involved in the recovery effort.

Globally, governments and agencies have pledged about \$400 million in aid, including \$100 million from the United States. The most immediate concern was for water. The British-based Oxfam aid group said it had managed to get some 2,000- and 5,000-liter water tankers into the city's streets, but a greater need was clear in the heart of Port-au-Prince.

In a tent city with thousands of displaced people, nurse Marimartha Syrel said she had been there since Tuesday night with no water. "We can't cook food. We can't do anything," she said.

At a window of a water treatment facility, Mary Verna was selling the last few bottles of treated water. The plant won't produce more until electricity is restored to the blacked-out city, she said.

"It's desperate because the water system in Port au Prince beforehand was not very good," said Paul Sherlock, Oxfam's senior humanitarian representative. "When an earthquake happens, any system — no matter how good — is going to have problems: pipes are broken and damaged."

From Europe, Asia and the Americas, more than 20 governments, the U.N. and private aid groups were sending planeloads of high-energy biscuits and other food, tons of water, tents,

blankets, water-purification gear, heavy equipment for removing debris, helicopters and other transport. Hundreds of search-and-rescue, medical and other specialists also headed to Haiti.

A stream of U.S. military cargo planes landed Friday, but they had to circle for an hour before getting clearance to land because the quake destroyed the control tower and radar control, and the U.S. military was using emergency procedures. Aid workers have been blocked by debris on inadequate roads and by survivors gathered in the open out of fear of aftershocks from the 7.0-magnitude quake and re-entering unstable buildings. "The physical destruction is so great that physically getting from point A to B with the supplies is not an easy task," Casella, the WFP spokeswoman in Geneva, said at a news conference.

At the airport, scores of frantic and exhausted U.S. citizens, along with others stranded there for days, begged for evacuation. "We've had people crying, people passing out," said Muriel Sinai, 38, a nurse from Orlando, Fla. U.S. soldiers were sorting out the Americans, but it wasn't clear whether and when they might be flown out.

The U.S. force asserted control over the airport, allowing 200 Americans to be evacuated while blocking similar efforts by French and Canadian officials to get their citizens out, even though a French military plane stood by. □



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Yemen says airstrike kills al-Qaida military chief

By AHMED AL-HAJ
Associated Press Writer

SAN'A, Yemen — Yemeni warplanes struck outside a desert village near the border with Saudi Arabia on Friday, killing six al-Qaida operatives, including the group's top military leader in the country, security officials said.

The military chief, who escaped a government attack targeting him last month, was one of Yemen's most-wanted militants and had plotted to assassinate the U.S. ambassador.

Yemen, with the help of U.S. counterterrorism aid and training, has intensified an offensive against an al-Qaida offshoot that has dug in to pockets of the mountainous, impoverished nation, sometimes under the protection of powerful local tribes that have their own grievances with the weak government.

In an intensifying battle against al-Qaida on another front where Washington is deeply involved, Pakistani intelligence officials said Friday that a U.S. missile strike there killed one of the FBI's most-wanted terrorists, a man suspected in a deadly 1986 plane hijacking with a \$5 million bounty on his head.

That Jan. 9 strike was part of the CIA-led missile campaign against militant targets in Pakistan's insurgent-riddled tribal belt bordering Afghanistan.

It was not immediately clear if the U.S. was directly involved in Friday's strike in Yemen. The country's government, which depends in part on the support of powerful Islamic radicals to maintain its fragile hold on power, is deeply wary of being seen as too closely allied with Washington.

Four of those killed were on Yemen's list of most-wanted al-Qaida figures, including Qassim al-Raimi,

the top military chief in the terrorist network's offshoot in Yemen. The attack took place near the village of Yatama, about 118 miles (190 kilometers) northeast of the capital, San'a.

Yemen has wrongly reported his death in the past. A written statement from the government's Supreme Security Committee said that this time it had intelligence that al-Raimi was among those in two cars that were destroyed in the airstrike on the edge of Jouf province.

Jouf's provincial governor, Hussein Hazib, confirmed six al-Qaida militants were killed in the strike, but said he did not yet know their identities.

Al-Qaida's Yemen and Saudi operations merged a year ago to form al-Qaida in the Arabian Peninsula, and al-Raimi had been influential in strengthening the group.

"(Al-Raimi) is really the individual who has done most for (al-Qaida) in terms of rebuilding and reorganization," said Gregory Johnsen, an expert on Yemen at Princeton University.

But while his death might be a victory for the U.S.-backed government, Johnsen said al-Qaida now has a durable enough infrastructure in Yemen to keep going.

"They don't miss a beat; they can overcome," he said. "This is an organization that has planned for these types of losses."

In 2005, al-Raimi was convicted and sentenced to five years in prison for plotting a bomb attack in the capital's diplomatic quarter and planning to assassinate the American ambassador. Neither plot was carried out.

Al-Raimi escaped from prison in February of 2006 with 21 other militants who fled through a 200-yard



This image taken from an undated video posted on a militant-leaning Web site Friday, Jan. 23, 2009, and provided by the SITE Intelligence Group shows Said Ali al-Shihri. A U.S. counterterrorism official confirmed Friday that Said Ali al-Shihri, who was jailed in Guantanamo for six years after his capture in Pakistan, and released by the U.S. in 2007 to the Saudi government for rehabilitation, has resurfaced as a leader of a Yemeni branch of al-Qaida.

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tunnel that ended inside a mosque.

Also among the dead in Friday's strike was Ammar al-Waeli, who was accused of involvement in a July 2007 suicide bombing that killed eight Spanish tourists and two Yemenis visiting a temple in central Yemen.

Al-Waeli was also suspected of having a role in the kidnapping of a German family and a British man who disappeared in June and have yet to be found.

The country on the southern edge of the Arabian Peninsula is beset by al-Qaida attacks, a five-year war between government forces and rebels in the north and a separatist movement in the once-independent south.

After al-Qaida in the Arabian Peninsula claimed responsibility for the failed attempt to blow up a U.S. airliner in December, U.S. officials announced they were more than doubling the \$67 million in

counterterrorism aid they gave to Yemen in 2009.

Yemen's Interior Ministry stressed Friday that while its cooperation with the United States included training and intelligence sharing, it would not open its doors to forces from America or any other nation.

A group of prominent Muslim clerics, including one whom Washington has branded a spiritual mentor of Osama bin Laden, warned Thursday they will call for jihad, or holy war, if the U.S. sends troops to fight al-Qaida in Yemen.

President Barack Obama has said he does not plan to send American combat troops to Yemen.

In Pakistan, the U.S. has been pursuing a similar strategy but one with a more direct military role. It has pounded North Waziristan with missiles to try to subdue an area that has been a key sanctuary for a range of militant groups, including al-Qaida and

factions focused on battling the U.S. in Afghanistan.

Pakistan has been resisting mounting U.S. pressure to wage an army offensive in the region.

The Jan. 9 missile strike killed Jamal Saeed Abdul Rahim. The FBI's Web site lists him as a Palestinian with possible Lebanese citizenship. Three Pakistani officials called him an al-Qaida member, but the FBI site says he was a member of the Abu Nidal Palestinian terrorist group.

Rahim is wanted for his alleged role in the Sept. 5, 1986, hijacking of a Pan American World Airways Flight during a stop in the southern Pakistani city of Karachi, according to the FBI site.

Some 20 people, including two Americans, died during the hijacking. The three Pakistani intelligence officials spoke on condition of anonymity because they lacked authority to speak to media on the record. □



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Seven killed in Kenyan pro radical cleric protest

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NAIROBI, Kenya (AP)

— At least seven people were killed when police fired on about 100 Muslim youth in the Kenyan capital who on Friday protested the arrest of a radical Jamaican-born Muslim cleric whose teachings influenced one of the 2005 London transport system bombers. Farouk Machanje of the Muslim

Human Rights Forum, which organized the protest in Nairobi, said five people have been killed. An official with an ambulance service said a young man, who had been shot in the head, died as they took him to the main government hospital. The official spoke on condition of anonymity because he was not authorized to speak to the media. He said they took 10 other people with bullet wounds to the hospital.



Riot Police officers hold their shields as a muslim demonstrator hurls a stone at them after Kenyan Muslims held a demonstration, in Nairobi, Kenya, Friday, Jan. 15, 2010. Following the arrest of Muslim cleric Sheik Abdullah el-Faizal. The radical Muslim cleric who once led a London mosque attended by convicted terrorists was deported from Kenya to the West African nation of Gambia, but returned to Kenya. Sheik Abdullah el-Faizal was arrested in Kenya for violating the terms of his visa. He was taken into custody outside of a mosque in the coastal city of Mombasa.

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An Associated Press reporter saw the body of another young man who relatives said was 25 years old. The reporter also saw three other young men wounded in the protest being treated at a clinic near the downtown Nairobi mosque where it began after Friday prayers. Police restricted the protesters' movements by standing at roads leading away from the mosque. Soon after the protesters emerged from the mosque, police fired tear gas and used water cannons to disperse them. The demonstrators then threw stones. They had planned to march to the Immigration Ministry to protest Kenya detaining Sheik Abdullah el-Faizal.

In an unusual twist, later in the day, scores of ordinary Kenyans who were not involved in the demonstration threw stones at the protesters. It was not clear why they did so. At a news conference held a few blocks away from

the violence, government spokesman Alfred Mutua declined to answer questions about the demonstration but read a statement explaining the government's action against el-Faizal.

"The government of Kenya is aware Mr. Abdullah el-Faizal has been deported from several countries for alleged recruitment, inspiration and advocating of suicide bombers," Mutua said. "Mr. el-Faizal is a threat to this country, because of his alleged tendencies to recruit suicide bombers."

More than 300 miles away, Muslims in the coastal town of Mombasa held a similar demonstration Friday, which ended peacefully.

Earlier this week Immigration Minister Otieno Kajwang said el-Faizal will remain in prison until Kenya is able to send him to Jamaica.

El-Faizal's native country has said it will receive him, but no country is willing to issue him a transit visa that

would allow him to make a connecting flight to Jamaica. "This man is so dangerous no country wants to touch him," said Mutua during a briefing on Thursday.

Britain has said that el-Faizal's teachings heavily influenced one of the men who carried out the London bombings that killed 52 people. The cleric served four years in a British jail for inciting murder and stirring racial hatred by urging followers to kill Americans, Hindus and Jews. El-Faizal was released in 2007 and deported to Jamaica. He stayed there until early 2009 when he traveled to Africa, Jamaican officials have said. El-Faizal arrived in Kenya on Dec. 24, but immigration officials at a border point did not know who he was because a database that has a watch list was shut down while new software was being installed. Kenyan authorities only realized he was in the country a week later. □

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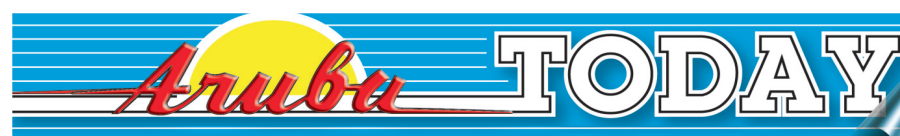
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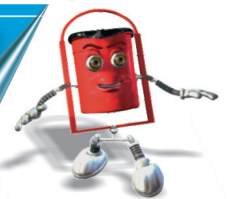
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U.S. kills FBI-wanted terrorist in Pakistan strike

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DERA ISMAIL KHAN, Pakistan (AP) — A U.S.

missile strike in Pakistan killed one of the FBI's most-wanted terrorists, a man suspected in a deadly 1986 plane hijacking with a \$5 million bounty on his head, three Pakistani intelligence officials said.

The death would be the latest victory for the CIA-led missile campaign against militant targets in Pakistan's insurgent-riddled tribal belt bordering Afghanistan, a campaign that has recently escalated. One Thursday is believed to have missed Pakistan's Taliban chief.

The intelligence officials said Friday that a Jan. 9 missile strike in the North Waziristan tribal region killed Jamal Saeed Abdul Rahim. The FBI's Web site lists him as a Palestinian with possible Lebanese citizenship. The Pakistani officials called him an al-Qaida member, but the FBI site says he was a member of the Abu Nidal Palestinian terrorist group.

Rahim is wanted for his alleged role in the Sept. 5, 1986, hijacking of Pan American World Airways Flight 73 during a stop in the southern Pakistani city of Karachi, according to the FBI site.

The hijackers demanded that 1,500 prisoners in Cyprus and Israel be released and that they be flown out of Pakistan. At one point, the hijackers shot and threw hand grenades at passengers and crew in one part of the plane. Some 20 people, including two Americans, died during the hijacking.

Rahim had been tried and convicted by Pakistan, but he and three suspected accomplices were apparently released in January 2008. All four were added to the FBI list late last year.

The FBI did not immediately respond to a request for comment Friday. The three Pakistani intelligence officials spoke on condition

of anonymity because they lacked authority to speak to media on the record. They cited field informants and sources in militant ranks.

But the information is nearly impossible to verify independently because access to Pakistan's tribal regions is restricted. North Waziristan is considered a key sanctuary for a range of militant groups, including al-Qaida and factions focused on battling the U.S. in Afghanistan. Pakistan has been resisting mounting U.S. pressure to wage an army offensive in the region.

In the meantime, the U.S. has been pounding it with missiles. A pair of missiles hit a house in the Mishta area of South Waziristan on Friday, the 10th such attack in roughly two weeks in Pakistan's tribal belt bordering Afghanistan. Two intelligence officials told The Associated Press that the two people killed were suspected militants. The officials spoke on condition of anonymity because they did not have the authority to make such disclosures to the press.

Four of the drone-fired missiles landed Friday in the Zarniri area of North Waziristan, killing three people. The area is near where a strike Thursday killed 12 people but is thought to have missed its apparent target, Pakistani Taliban chief Hakimullah Mehsud.

A purported audiotape of Mehsud denying his death emerged Friday but contained no specific reference to the missile strike.

The lack of a reference to Thursday's strike means the tape could have been recorded prior, possibly to keep the Pakistani Taliban united in case Mehsud was incapacitated. Militants have in the past given misleading information about who lived and who died.

"Propaganda is spreading through the media that Hakimullah has been martyred, and propaganda is spreading that the operation in South Waziristan has successfully concluded. It can

never happen," Mehsud said in the Pashto language on the audio recording.

Another Pakistani Taliban militant played the audiotape for the AP reporter in a landline phone call, which the reporter recorded. The reporter recognized the voice as Mehsud's.

Intelligence officials have said Pakistani Taliban chief Hakimullah Mehsud appeared to have escaped the strike, while a local Taliban commander also denied rising speculation Friday that Mehsud was wounded.

"I can confirm that our emir, Hakimullah Mehsud, is alive. He is not wounded. He is leading the fighters in



Soldiers of Pakistani para military forces prepare to bury their colleague who was injured in militants' attack and later died, in Bannu, Pakistan on Friday, Jan. 15, 2010. Militants attacked in Lucky Marwat and killed nearly hundred people.

Associated Press

South Waziristan," said the commander, Omar Khatab, in a walkie-talkie conversation with an Associated Press reporter. Killing Mehsud would be a major victory for both Washington and Islamabad. Under the 28-year-old's watch, militant attacks in Pakistan have soared

since October, even as the army has waged an offensive against the Pakistani Taliban in South Waziristan tribal region. Mehsud also appeared on a recent video with the Jordanian militant who killed seven CIA employees in a December suicide attack in Afghanistan. □

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B'way awaits the arrival of a delayed 'Spider-Man'



FILE - In this Sept. 9, 2009 file photo, a sign for the play 'Spider Man' is seen in New York's Times Square.

(AP Photo/Peter Kramer, file)

By MICHAEL KUCHWARA, AP Drama Writer Michael
NEW YORK — The drawing of a familiar superhero stares out from the double doors of the dark Hilton Theatre on 42nd Street, just west of Times Square.

The red-and-blue-clad figure looks trapped inside the building, unable to get out,

an apt metaphor perhaps for the show he is trumpeting: "Spider-Man Turn Off the Dark," a \$50 million — and counting — Broadway musical celebrating the exploits of America's most famous web slinger.

So far, all the drama has been offstage for what most likely will be the most expensive

production in Broadway history for some time to come.

The mammoth musical directed and co-written by Julie Taymor of "Lion King" fame and featuring a score by Bono and The Edge, was at one time set to begin preview performances Feb. 25 with an official opening scheduled for sometime in April.

The "Spider-Man" producers have been tightlipped about the show's status except for an occasional chipper press release announcing the musical is "moving forward" with additional financing under the supervision of the show's current lead producer, Michael Cohl. He came aboard in November.

New performance dates for the show are expected to be announced shortly with speculation about the rescheduled opening ranging from this summer after the Tony Awards in June to next

fall.

Work on "Spider-Man" stopped last year because of financial difficulties, including an expensive renovation of the Hilton, reportedly to accommodate Taymor's environmental staging of the show, which would have the action — including some aerial bits of derring-do — swirl throughout the theater. And production, not to mention the financing, have proved difficult to get back on track. The 1800-seat Hilton is one of Broadway's biggest and unluckiest theaters.

It was cobbled together by Canadian producer Garth Drabinsky from the shells of two venerable playhouses — the Lyric and the Apollo.

The theater officially opened in January 1998 with Drabinsky's production of "Ragtime," which ran for two years and never made any money.

Most of the Hilton's subsequent tenants have been less than illustrious.

Remember "Hot Feet" (the Earth, Wind and Fire musical) and "The Pirate Queen"? And it hasn't housed a show since "Young Frankenstein" closed more than a year ago.

"Spider-Man" the musical has been in the works for more than six years, starting with an announcement about the show in 2004 from producer Tony Adams, who died unexpectedly the next year of a stroke. Adams was replaced by David Garfinkle, a Chicago lawyer, who bowed out of the lead producer slot after financial pressures mounted.

No one is speaking on the record about "Spider-Man," not Taymor, Bono or its cast.

The performers include rock singer Reeve Carney as the title character and Peter Parker, his mild alter-ego; Evan Rachel Wood as Mary Jane Watson, Parker's girl friend, and Alan Cumming in the role of Norman Osborn, also known as the villainous Green Goblin. □



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Stocks fall on JPMorgan results, sentiment survey

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NEW YORK — The stock market has logged its biggest drop of the new year as rising losses from loans at JPMorgan Chase & Co. and a disappointing reading on consumer sentiment sent investors rushing from stocks. JPMorgan, which reported a \$3.28 billion fourth-quarter profit, warned Friday it's too soon to say losses on loans have peaked.

The preliminary Reuters/University of Michigan consumer sentiment index has come in weaker than forecast. According to preliminary calculations, the Dow Jones industrial average is down 100 at 10,609. The Standard & Poor's 500 index is down 12 at 1,136. The Nasdaq composite index is down 29 at 2,287.

Two stocks fell for every one that rose on the New York Stock Exchange. Volume rose to 1.4 billion shares compared with 888 million Thursday. THIS IS A BREAKING NEWS UPDATE. Check back soon for further information. AP's earlier story is below.

NEW YORK (AP) — Rising loan losses in JPMorgan Chase & Co.'s consumer bank business and a disappointing reading on consumer sentiment sent investors rushing from stocks Friday.

Financial stocks led the market lower, pulling major stock indexes down more than 1 percent from 15-month highs. The Dow Jones industrial average lost 105 points, its first triple-digit loss since Dec. 31. Interest rates fell in the bond markets as investors bought Treasuries in search of safety. JPMorgan, regarded as one of the strongest U.S. banks, warned investors it was too soon to say that losses on mortgages and other loans have peaked. The weakness

in JPMorgan's consumer business hurt other financial stocks, which led the rest of the market lower.

Investors took little solace from a much stronger than expected profit report late Thursday from Intel Corp., the biggest maker of computer chips.

Commodity prices slumped as the dollar turned higher, and a disappointing report on consumer sentiment also weighed on the market. The preliminary Reuters/University of Michigan consumer sentiment index rose to 72.8 from 72.5 in late December but came in weaker than economists had forecast. The news from JPMorgan brought concerns about profits at other big banks, many of which post results next week. Banks have been saying since the financial crisis exploded in the fall of 2008 that mortgages resetting at higher rates and job losses would push more loans into default. The latest comments gave investors a fresh reminder that the economy still needs more time to heal.

After a 10-month run in the market that has been all but unbroken, some investors think stocks are running out of forward momentum. The Dow on Thursday closed above 10,700 for the first time since October 2008 and has climbed 63.6 percent since March, though it's still down 24.4 percent from its peak in October 2007.

The market will get more signals about the economy next week as more companies report earnings. U.S. markets are closed on Monday for Martin Luther King Jr. Day. Adam Gould, senior portfolio manager at Direxion Funds in New York, said the reaction to JPMorgan's report signaled that investors had gotten too far ahead of themselves in

predicting stellar earnings from companies.

"The market has been pricing in the best-case scenario for earnings for all of these companies," he said. "I think with an earnings report like this six months ago, we would've seen stocks rally."

In late afternoon trading, the Dow fell 104.68, or 1 percent, to 10,605.87. The Standard & Poor's 500 index fell 12.16, or 1.1 percent, to 1,136.30, and the Nasdaq composite index fell 25.92, or 1.1 percent, to 2,290.82.

Bond prices rose, pushing their yields lower. The yield on the benchmark 10-year Treasury note fell to 3.68 percent from 3.74 percent late Thursday.

The dollar rose against most major currencies, particularly the euro. That hurt prices of commodities, which are priced in dollars. A stronger greenback makes commodities like oil more expensive to foreign buyers.

Crude oil fell \$1.41 to \$77.98 per barrel on the New York Mercantile Exchange. Gold prices fell.

The day's slide as investors await earnings next week from Bank of America Corp., Citigroup, Goldman Sachs Group Inc., Morgan Stanley and Wells Fargo & Co.

Jim Herrick, director of equity trading at Baird & Co. in Milwaukee, said JPMorgan's report prompted selling because the bank is seen as stronger than other banks and because financial stocks have been the biggest drivers of the market's climb since March.

"The concern is that this is a harbinger of things to come as far as earnings," he said. "It's only smart to take chips off the table after the run we've had and sit on the sides and wait for earnings to come out."

After a strong start to the year, the market's advance slowed during week and the modest



FILE - In this Sept. 17, 2007 file photo, New York Stock Exchange signs top trading posts on the floor of the NYSE. Rising loan losses at JPMorgan Chase & Co.'s consumer bank and a disappointing reading on consumer sentiment sent investors rushing from stocks Friday, Jan. 15, 2010.

(AP Photo/Richard Drew, file)

gains were eaten by Friday's slide. Caution about earnings from the final three months of 2009 grew after aluminum producer Alcoa Inc. posted disappointing results.

Among banks, JPMorgan fell 84 cents, or 1.9 percent, to \$43.85. Morgan Stanley fell 80 cents, or 2.6 percent, to \$30.40, while Citigroup Inc. fell 4 cents, or 1.1 percent, to \$3.47. Three stocks fell for every one that rose on the New York Stock Exchange, where volume came to 1.1 billion

shares compared with 636.7 million shares traded at the same point Thursday. Trading was heavy Friday because of the expiration of options contracts on some stocks.

The Russell 2000 index of smaller companies fell 9.22, or 1.4 percent, to 637.21.

Britain's FTSE 100 fell 0.8 percent, Germany's DAX index fell 1.9 percent, and France's CAC-40 lost 1.5 percent. Earlier, Japan's Nikkei stock average rose 0.7 percent. □

Lawmakers want faster tax breaks for Haiti gifts

WASHINGTON — A bipartisan group of House leaders is trying to encourage charitable donations for Haitian earthquake victims by allowing donors to write off contributions on their 2009 taxes.

The lawmakers said Friday they will introduce a bill allowing 2009 tax deductions for donations made by the end of February. Under current law, donors would have to wait until they file their 2010 returns next spring to take the deductions.

A similar law was enacted in 2005 for donations to victims of the Indian Ocean tsunami that happened in December 2004. The bill is sponsored by Democrats Charles Rangel of New York and James Clyburn of South Carolina and Republicans Dave Camp of Michigan and Eric Cantor of Virginia. Democratic Rep. Kendrick Meek of Florida announced similar legislation. □

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In this July 2, 2009, file photo, Tiger Woods looks down the fourth fairway during the first round of the AT&T National golf tournament at Congressional Country Club in Bethesda, Md.

Associated Press

Woods looking to help Haiti relief effort

IRVINE, California (AP) — Tiger Woods plans to help with relief efforts in earthquake-ravaged Haiti by supporting groups providing resources to children. Tiger Woods Foundation president Greg McLaughlin said on Friday he hadn't received any information from rap mogul Russell Simmons, who said on Twitter that Woods was providing \$3 million to help with the recovery. McLaughlin said the foundation staff was evaluating "the most appropriate role" to help the Haitian people. "Our plan is to be part of the relief effort to help rebuild Haiti by supporting organizations that provide critical resources to young people, which is consistent with our mission and previous efforts regarding Hurricane Rita, Hurricane Katrina and the 2004 tsunami," McLaughlin said in a statement. Woods, who has not been seen since a Nov. 27 car accident and subsequent firestorm over extramarital affairs, established the foundation when he turned pro in 1996.

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Allenby takes the lead on a bum ankle



Robert Allenby, of Australia, putts on the 13th green during the second round of the Sony Open golf tournament, Friday, Jan. 15, 2010 in Honolulu.

Associated Press

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AP Golf Writer

HONOLULU (AP) — With a sore ankle making Robert Allenby keep it simple at the Sony Open, he put together a 3-under 67 that gave him a one-shot lead over Steve Stricker and John Merrick among the early starters on Friday. Stricker has gone 24 holes without a bogey and shot a 67, while Merrick had a 68. Allenby was flying high when he landed in Honolulu, ending last year with consecutive victories in South Africa and Australia. But on a walk with wife Sandy he stepped awkwardly off a curb and badly twisted his right ankle. The Australian continued his walk to Diamondhead, and only when he returned to his room did he notice the swelling. He flew too far to withdraw, and besides, he might be better off this way. "I'm managing my way around the golf course," said Allenby, who was at 8-under 132. "When you feel good, you play a little more aggressively. Now I'm backing off a little bit, hitting into little areas, hoping to make up-and-down or hit it close. I've still got the confidence I could win the tournament." Troy Matteson, who spent most of last week at Kapalua bringing up the rear, had another 67 and was in the group at 6-under 134 that included Shane Bertsch (68), while past Sony Open winner Paul Goydos rallied with a 63 and was at 135. Goydos thought he played well on Thursday and shot 72. He made a few more putts on Friday and noticed a big difference, mainly the numbers on his card. What really stood out were three

birdies on the par 3s. Even a former substitute math teacher can figure that out.

"Twos don't add up very quickly," he said.

Stricker has never felt better, coming off a three-win season that elevated him to No. 3 in the world. He came out of his long winter break in Wisconsin hitting the ball well, yet even a guy in good health can appreciate what Allenby is doing.

Waialae is a stark change from last week at expansive Kapalua, with tiny fairways that wind along skinny palms, and smaller greens that put a greater premium on accuracy.

"You can't be very aggressive here," Stricker said. "It's position golf. If you start missing fairways and hit out of the rough, it's difficult to get the ball close. So the first objective is getting it on the fairway. Pars are good scores."

That's a testament to good courses, yet the winning scores indicate otherwise.

Defending champion Zach Johnson, among the late starters on Friday, won last year at 15 under. Goydos won at 14 under and David Toms won in 2006 at 18 under.

If anything Waialae rewards good play.

"There are birdie opportunities," Stricker said. "But the easy holes can jump up and grab you."

Merrick can appreciate that. On the 338-yard 10th hole, he went left of the fairway and let his wedge slide too far to the right, leaving him an awkward up-and-down that led to a bogey. He did enough right, however, to give him a chance going into the weekend. In his fourth year, Merrick has learned enough to realize he can't play it too safe.

"You can't wait around. You have to grab it," he said. "You've got to keep the foot down. If you're not, someone else is." □

Arenas pleads guilty to felony gun possession

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Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Washington Wizards star Gilbert Arenas pleaded guilty on Friday to carrying a pistol without a license in the District of Columbia, a felony conviction that could jeopardize his future in the NBA.

Arenas pleaded guilty to a single count of violating the city's strict gun laws as part of a plea bargain in D.C. Superior Court. He will remain free at least until his sentencing on March 26. The charge stems from a Dec. 21 incident in which Arenas admitted he stored guns in his locker at the Verizon Center and took them out to play a joke on a teammate.

The NBA has suspended him indefinitely. A pre-sentence report is not yet complete, but defense attorney Kenneth Wainstein said Friday that prosecutors have agreed not to seek a sentence longer than the low end of sentencing guidelines, which call for six months to two years. That could include probation, jail time or some combination. Judge Robert E. Morin emphasized he is not bound by prosecutors' recommendation.

Arenas "accepted full responsibility for his actions, acknowledged that those actions were wrong and against the law, and has apologized to all who have been affected by his conduct," Wainstein said in a statement. □

Miller goes for third win in Wengen downhill

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WENGEN, Switzerland (AP) — The historic Lauberhorn race — the World Cup downhill that all speed racers badly want to win — celebrates its 80th birthday Saturday with Bode Miller once more the man to beat. With victory in Friday's super-combined event, the winner of back-to-back Wengen classics in 2007-08 confirmed he's a contender at one of his favorite places.

"It's an easy hill to be excited about racing, just because it has all the different parts," said Miller, who also was runner-up last year.

The legendary piste challenges men over the longest course on the circuit with the World Cup's fastest section, quirkiest features and, arguably, its greatest tradition.

All this in a setting beneath

the Eiger and Jungfrau peaks that Miller's United States teammate Marco Sullivan described as "pretty awe-inspiring."

Sullivan was third last year and said it is at Wengen and then Austria's classic race at Kitzbuehel seven days later that downhill racers truly prove their skills.

"If you're a professional downhiller you've got to get it done at those two spots," he said.

The Lauberhorn lure is so strong that 38-year-old Marco Buechel of Liechtenstein spent his entire offseason focusing on winning here for the first time in his final season on the circuit.

"Every time I had to train really hard, I said, 'This is for Wengen,'" an emotional Buechel said. "It's hurting a little bit because I love this race."

Armstrong wants to compete in Hawaii Ironman

ADELAIDE, Australia (AP) — Not satisfied with his remarkable comeback to top-level cycling, Lance Armstrong has set himself a new challenge by saying he intends to compete in the Hawaii Ironman.

The 38-year-old Armstrong was targeting the 2011 or 2012 event in Kona, Hawaii, depending upon whether this year or next will be his final Tour de France.

"I will be in Kona 15 months after the final Tour," Armstrong told Australian Associated Press on Friday. "If it's 2010, then it will be Kona 2011. If it's 2011, it will be Kona 2012."

"I'm not saying that with any expectation, it will require months and months of getting back into swimming and running. But I want to just do it, just for fun."

Armstrong said he started out competing in triathlons and "I've always looked up to those guys."

The Texan is in Australia preparing for the Tour Down Under race to kickstart a year in which he is aiming for an eighth Tour de France title

— this time with Team Radio Shack which he co-owns.

A swimmer as a child and promising national-level triathlete in his late teens, Armstrong has also run in marathons, so has the background to be competitive in Hawaii — an Ironman event consisting of a 3.9-kilometer (2.4-mile) swim, 180-kilometer (112-mile) bike leg and 42-kilometer (26-mile) marathon. □



US ski racer Bode Miller clears a gate during the men's ski World Cup Super Combined Downhill on the Lauberhorn in Wengen, Switzerland, Friday, Jan. 15, 2010.

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The special appeal includes a cog railway that carries racers to the start at 7,595 feet altitude.

Before launching themselves down the 2.77-mile track, Swiss air force jets fly past in formation.

"That sets the tone for the race," Sullivan said. "We're somewhere special and I want to step up and have a good day." In a leg-burning 2-1/2-minute journey to the finish, racers will jump off a cliff face immediately after a 90-degree turn, pass through a 15-foot-wide low tunnel and approach 94 mph on a straight section near the bottom.

"It's safe on our terms but an insurance company probably wouldn't think it was safe," Sullivan joked. "The fact they've kept it on the same piste is cool. People love it and it's fun to watch, fun to race." The race traditionally gets Swiss television's biggest sports ratings.

Buechel trains with the host team, including defending champion Didier Defago, and regards Wengen as home snow because his neighboring principality has no race of its own.

"I think if a guy from Liechtenstein wins, they're not going to be too mad about

it," the popular racer said.

Buechel has three top-10 finishes here, and a best of fifth in 2007 when Miller and Swiss runner-up Didier Cuche blew away the opposition.

The last Austrian skier to win was current World Cup downhill champion Michael Walchhofer in 2005. Last year was a big debacle for the Austrians, with the team's best finisher coming 18th.

"It was a very hard day but I think our team is stronger than last year," said Klaus Kroell, who was 50th last year but second-fastest in the final training run Thursday. "We will be back." □

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Haiti native Samuel Dalembert, left, of the Philadelphia 76ers, hugs Caryl Stern, president and CEO of the U.S. Fund for UNICEF, as he presents her with a check for \$100,000 to aid relief efforts in Haiti before an NBA basketball game against the Sacramento Kings, Friday, Jan. 15, 2010, in Philadelphia.

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HAITI RELIEF

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Its most recent annual report says it has reached over 10 million children.

More help in the sports world was coming from the NFL, the NBA and stars Alonzo Mourning and Dwyane Wade, and NASCAR's leading Hendrick Motorsports team.

The NFL and the players' union will contribute \$1 million, split between the American Red Cross and Partners In Health.

The NFL and its network broadcast partners will also run messages before and during this weekend's playoff games to promote donations for Haiti. The messages feature New Orleans linebacker Jonathan Vilma and San Diego defensive end Jacques Cesaïre, who both have Haitian parents.

In addition, NFL owners and players are making personal donations. The Washington Redskins say they are joining Diageo, one of the team's business partners, to fly medical supplies, personnel, and clothing to Haiti.

The NBA and its players' association also will contribute \$1 million.

They said they would join with UNICEF and other relief agencies to provide assistance, and Haiti native Samuel Dalembert of the Philadelphia 76ers has taped a public service announcement for UNICEF encouraging fans to contribute.

Dalembert will address the crowd before his home game on Friday and make a \$100,000 donation to UNICEF. He will also match the donations made by fans at the game.

Mourning arrived in devastated Port-au-Prince on Friday to assist relief workers. □

Dementieva beats Serena Williams in Sydney final

SYDNEY (AP) — Fifth-seeded Elena Dementieva of Russia scored a surprisingly comfortable 6-3, 6-2 victory over top-seeded Serena Williams in the Sydney International final.

Williams' loss on Friday comes just three days before the start of the Australian Open, where the American is the defending women's singles champion. Williams, who had 40 unforced errors in 17 games against the 2008 Olympic champion, appeared to sustain a knee injury during the match. But she later played down any suggestion of a left knee problem and said she would still play singles and doubles at Melbourne Park.

"I think she played well, I made about a thousand and two unforced errors ... it's better now than later, I guess," Williams said.

When asked about her left leg or knee, which she appeared to favor during the match, she replied: "I was struggling a little bit, but, you know, I hate to make any excuse. I think she definitely deserves all the credit for what she did."

She was asked if it was ligament damage or a strain. "Definitely not ligament problems ... definitely not," Williams said. "Doesn't



Elena Dementieva of Russia holds up the winner's trophy after beating Serena Williams of the USA 6-3, 6-2 in their women's singles final match at the Sydney International tennis tournament in Sydney Friday, Jan. 15, 2010.

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sound like very much fun. I don't quite know. Just a little pain here, and the strapping usually helps the pain go away sometimes."

She said she felt great going into next week's Australian Open.

"I feel like I have more than enough matches under my belt," she said. "I feel like I'm really ready and fit. Even though I didn't play great today, I feel like I can play much better."

Williams confirmed she would be playing doubles with her sister, Venus, at the Australian Open.

"I'm definitely playing doubles," she said. "I love

playing doubles ... I have way too much fun."

Dementieva reversed her straight-sets loss to Williams at the 2009 season-ending championships to claim back-to-back titles in Sydney. The 28-year-old Dementieva is the first woman to defend her crown in Sydney since Martina Hingis in 2001-2002.

Earlier, former Australian Open finalist Marcos Baghdatis beat American Mardy Fish 6-4, 6-7 (7), 7-6 (5) in a men's semifinal. Baghdatis' opponent in the final will be Richard Gasquet, who beat French compatriot Julien Benneteau in the other semifinal 6-3, 7-5. □

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NBA Roundup

Rookie's late shot lifts Jazz over Cavs

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Rookie Sundiata Gaines hit a 3-pointer at the buzzer to end a frenzied series of comebacks and give the Utah Jazz a 97-96 victory over the Cleveland Cavaliers in the NBA on Thursday.

LeBron James had led the Cavaliers on a 22-4 run earlier in the fourth quarter and put Cleveland up by six points with 33 seconds left, but the visitors couldn't clinch it from the free throw line.

Zildrunas Ilgauskas went 1-of-2 from the line with 5.6 seconds left and the Jazz needed only a field goal to tie it or 3-pointer to win it.

Utah's Ronnie Price flipped the ball to Gaines, who launched the game-winner.

Gaines, signed to a 10-day contract when starter Deron Williams sprained his right wrist, finished with nine points. It was Gaines' first 3-pointer in his five-game NBA career.

James led Cleveland with 36 points, scoring 20 in the fourth quarter.

Utah's Carlos Boozer scored 11 points in the final

period to finish with 19 points, 13 rebounds and six assists against his former team.

Bulls 96, Celtics 83

In Boston, Chicago got a rare road win at one of the most challenging venues, downing Boston.

Luol Deng scored 25 points to lead Chicago to a third straight win.

The Celtics got within six points with 3:50 left, but the Bulls scored eight of the next nine points, six by Joakim Noah, to build the lead to 94-81.

Paul Pierce scored 20 points and Rajon Rondo added 15 for the Celtics, playing their fourth game in five nights. The loss dropped them to 11-6 at home after they went 35-6 there in each of the past two seasons.

The Bulls won for only the second time in their last 12 road contests as they began a stretch of 10 of 12 games away from home.

Derrick Rose scored 17 points for the Bulls, while Noah had his 19th double-double of the season with 15 points and 11 rebounds. □



Utah Jazz guard Sundiata Gaines waves to the crowd after sinking the game-winning 3-pointer with no time left on the clock to beat the Cleveland Cavaliers 97-96 in their NBA basketball game Thursday, Jan. 14, 2010, in Salt Lake City.

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NFL Playoff Preview

Cardinals-Saints: Can we count that high?

BARRY WILNER

AP Football Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — When the New Orleans Saints and Arizona Cardinals meet to open the second round of the NFL playoffs on Saturday, the scoreboard will get a workout. The defenses will get dizzy. The announcers might go hoarse.

They are led by two of the most prolific passers the NFL has seen, in New Orleans' Drew Brees and Arizona's Kurt Warner.

Doubts about defenses aren't likely to happen in the other three playoff games this weekend: Baltimore at Indianapolis on Saturday, then Dallas at Minnesota and the New York Jets at San Diego on Sunday.

New Orleans scored a league-high 510 points, ninth most in NFL history. Arizona had a mere 375, then Warner riddled Green Bay's second-ranked defense for five touchdown passes in a 51-45 wild-card overtime victory — the highest-scoring playoff game ever. The Superdome could be a danger zone for defenders.

"I know what we're capable of and I know that if you just look at our track record, the last three out of four years we've had the No. 1 offense in the league," Brees said. "That's a body of work. That's not just a stretch of games here and a stretch of games there."

And it is no stretch to expect the top-seeded Saints to light it up on Saturday. Sure, they lost their final three games but they had little on the line in those contests, and everything is on the line now.

Plus, the bye week helped them heal.

"We know how to play at a high level offensively," Brees said. "The opportunity to get guys healthy — that was huge. We've been banged up at



In this Jan. 3, 2010, file photo, Arizona Cardinals quarterback Kurt Warner looks to pass against the Green Bay Packers during the first half on an NFL football game in Glendale, Ariz. Warner is back in the playoffs, a 38-year-old quarterback still at the top of his game at the controls of the reigning NFC champion Cardinals, and New Orleans Saints quarterback Drew Brees (9) is congratulated after throwing a touchdown pass against the Tampa Bay Buccaneers in the first half of an NFL football game in New Orleans, Sunday, Dec. 27, 2009.



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times throughout the season." So have the Cardinals, and they still are uncertain about the availability of outstanding receiver Anquan Boldin. But they didn't miss him against Green Bay, particularly with Early Doucet emerging to join Larry Fitzgerald and Steve Breaston in a dynamic receiving corps that could cause anyone problems.

"We've all been pleasantly surprised with how he has responded on the big stage," Warner said of Doucet.

With the way the Baltimore Ravens manhandled New England last weekend, the Ravens could be on the kind of roll that carried them into the AFC title game a year ago. Ray Rice is the playmaking running back who could damage the Indianapolis Colts. He'll need to be, because

the Ravens won't scare Indy through the air, and the Colts have solid pass rushers in Dwight Freeney and Robert Mathis.

Indianapolis rested Peyton Manning and other regulars in the final two games after going 14-0. So a win-the-Super-Bowl-or-else mentality surrounds the team, which has never won in the playoffs after a bye. Still, this was the league's best team for about four months, and Manning won a record fourth MVP award. The Colts will be ready.

"This is how you set a legacy," Colts center Jeff Saturday said. "This is how you make things happen, by playing in big games and playing well in them."

In their last four games, all victories, the Dallas Cowboys beat the undefeated Saints and

twice took the Philadelphia Eagles. Their last loss was to San Diego, which finished the schedule with 11 consecutive wins.

Dallas is rolling, with and without the ball. Quarterback Tony Romo appears to have discarded the jitter that plagued his big-game performances, and has all kinds of threats around him in the running and passing games, even if regular running back Marion Barber (left knee) is sidelined. If the offensive line avoids penalties, the Cowboys could deal well with Minnesota's sixth-ranked defense.

Of course, the Metrodome is a very loud and difficult place to visit, and Minnesota passer Brett Favre didn't end yet another retirement to go out early in the playoffs. Plus, star running back Adrian Peterson

is a difference-maker.

The San Diego Chargers haven't lost since October, melding a sensational passing attack with opportunistic rushing and just enough defense. That defense must stop New York's top-rated running game, which is two-pronged with the emergence of rookie Shonn Greene to complement 1,400-yard rusher Thomas Jones.

The Jets, who have won six of their last seven, also have the league's stingiest defense, but shutting down the Chargers is much more challenging than stopping the one-dimensional Cincinnati Bengals.

"We think we're at our best right now and I think the Chargers are at their best," Jets coach Rex Ryan said. "It makes for a great matchup." □



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Dutch rescue team stuck in Curacao

After failing to land at Port-au-Prince airport, the team spent the night at the Navy gym in Curacao.

By Hanneke Chin-A-Fo

WILLEMSTAD - As those first, crucial, 72 hours after the Haitian earthquake slowly ticked away, a Dutch rescue crew found itself bogged down in deep logistic disarray. The emergency workers were supposed to fly to Port-au-Prince directly from Eindhoven military airport in the Netherlands Thursday morning, but after a stopover in the Dominican Republic they were forced spent the night in the Dutch navy's gym.

The Urban Search and Rescue team (USAR) left the country in a military cargo aircraft at 10:30am on Thursday with eight search and rescue dogs and heavy drilling and cutting equipment. Heavy duty rescue efforts are the specialty of this 63-member team that consists of police officers, soldiers and paramedics. On departure, nobody knew for sure what could be done, and what measures had already been taken by the United Nations. The only thing planned for sure was that after landing at 3 pm local time a reconnaissance team would race towards town.

Unable to land in Haiti

But as many a plan does, this one too went awry. During a stopover at the Dominican beach resort of Puerto Plata it became apparent that landing in Port-au-Prince would be impossible. Airplanes were stacked in holding patterns above the city or forced to return to where they came from. There was a shortage of staff to handle landings without a functioning control tower. On- and offloading cargo was proceeding anything but smoothly, and transporting it into town was also problematic. "We should have left earlier," an army major complained at Puerto Plata airport. The KDC 10 aircraft carrying the USAR team was supposed to leave at



A 2-year old is recovered from beneath the ruins and reunited with his mother in Port-au-Prince.

Photo AP

10 pm on Wednesday, meaning it would have arrived before the Port-au-Prince airfield became congested. "But the Netherlands always wants to be a goody two-shoes," the major said, referring to the fact that formal diplomatic requests for permission to fly a military aircraft through other nations' airspace had been filed, a process which cost until eight am Thursday to complete. "The Turks and the Chinese don't bother," the major said. "They just send over a flight plan and tell people they are on their way." A worker with the Cordaid NGO added: "This is the time to show some gusto and exert pressure by all means available."

An unsafe road to Port-au-Prince

Commander Anton Slofstra, an operational commander with the Dordrecht fire department when not with USAR, considered moving into port-au-prince by road. That would be far from ideal: the 9-hour drive would

take them through dangerous territory, with the condition of the road and border crossing uncertain.

The commander also knew his team's services might no longer be required: as time passes, the chance of recovering people alive from under the rubble becomes smaller, and treating the injured becomes a priority. His team had only "limited resources" in that department, Slofstra said.

After land-borne transport was ruled out as an option, and spending the night in Puerto Plata also proved problematic, the team flew on to Curacao. Here they ran into new

problems after landing at the military airport. According to regulations, the crew manning the KDC10 aircraft required 18 hours rest before flying on, meaning they wouldn't be able to fly again until late in the afternoon.

While people die, team idles As the commanders worked the phones, word arrived that the US had taken over the Port-au-Prince airport. This did little to put the Dutch team at ease: American airplanes might be given priority now.

"We were only forty minutes away," a fireman exclaimed. Paramedic Jan Kayser said: "It

is frustrating to stand idle with so many people buried under the rubble. Right now, 48 hours have passed since the disaster struck, many people will still be alive, and here we are caught up in a logistical mess. Luckily enough, people have been recovered alive ten days after other quakes. We could be useful there in the first week after the disaster. I want to give it all I've got, even if we only save one person."

Late on Thursday evening the team got confirmation that on Friday morning it would be provided with a small aircraft that would be able to carry the entire team to Port-au-Prince in three runs. The dogs and the thirteen tonnes of cargo would need to be transferred during the night. Only hours later were the team members able to roll out their sleeping bags in the navy's gym. Travelling to a hotel would have left little time for sleep.

"At a certain point you stop doing rescue work and start delivering bad news," said Jos Wisse, a crisis manager from Rotterdam. "If parents are looking for their child and you find its dead body in the rubble, you are helping them in a small way."

Wisse felt bad being stuck in Curacao while people were in need of rescue not far away, he said. But "that is how it goes" in emergency rescue, he added. The team members believed they might yet save some lives. The fact that large buildings collapsed meant people would be stuck in spaces surrounded by collapsed walls. □

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ORANJESTAD - "If I ever get married, I want Fernando to do the set-up," said singer Henna of the group Equator last Thursday evening at an event on the Hyatt beach. She was talking about Fernando Mansur of Mosaic Fabulous Events.

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Last week was hectic for Fernando, as there was a series of major events taking place. The first one started on Sunday afternoon with lunch for 260 people of the Starkey company and a sand sculpture building activity. The set-up on the beach of the Hyatt Resort was simple, yet stunning.

Wrapped pillars sported colored elongated balloons and the tables were set with plastic buckets, spades and moulds in preparation for the sand sculpture building. Very nice.

Then on Monday evening Fernando pulled off a major



coup: he transformed the pool area of the Westin Resort into a fairytale backdrop for the amazing line-up of singers, dancers and synchronized swimmers, that formed the entertainment for the 385 top sellers of the call center of Delta Airlines.

Feathered masks graced high tables that were lit from the inside and carnival road pieces were strategically placed to create intimacy. Of course there was a brass band delighting the guests and lots of stunning carnival dancers. A 20-minute fireworks show formed the finale of this fabulous evening.

But that was not all: Wednesday night required a stroke of ingenuity inside the ballroom of the Westin Resort. The large group of Delta guests was seated in one of the two ballrooms to enjoy a presentation, speeches and a few incredible tricks by a magician. Afterwards they crossed the hallway to the spectacular other ballroom for dinner.

The tables looked wonderful, decorated with feathers. Of course: courtesy of Fernando. As soon as the Delta guests had left the room, there was an invasion of workers who cleared away the rows of chairs, cleaned up and who



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Gary died as he lived; with dignity and good humor despite all the tubes running through his body. As the cancer grew to consume him, he never complained and celebrated every moment of life. He was thrilled to receive so many phone calls during the last few days of his life and each one brought an



enormous smile to his face.

As Gary requested, there will be no funeral. Instead, he wanted us to celebrate his life with a gathering of friends and family lakeside in the warmer days of Spring. We have not decided on a date at this time.

For any who wish to remember Gary in some way, he requested donations be made in his name to the V Foundation for Cancer Research. The V Foundation was founded by ESPN and Coach Jim Valvano during his battle with cancer. Gary had great admiration for how “Jimmy V” handled the end of his life and his fervor to find a way to stomp out cancer.

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PALM BEACH – Radisson® Hotels & Resorts today announced the appointment of Arianne Valentino-Welch to director of sales and marketing for the AAA Four Diamond Radisson Aruba Resort, Casino & Spa. In her new role, Valentino-Welch will lead all sales, marketing and public relations efforts for the flagship resort property.

“Arianne brings a strong knowledge of the Aruba customer and a proven track record in resort sales to her new role,” said Radisson Aruba Resort General Manager Rob Smith. “Her wealth of hospitality experience will be an asset to our hotel and clients and we are delighted to welcome her to lead our sales and marketing team.”

Valentino-Welch has more than 20 years of hospitality sales and marketing experience, most recently serving as global

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of the Westin Resort, Aruba. Some of the topics that are presented include payroll matters, leadership versus management, building open communication, creating an inspiring work culture, hiring the best talent, disciplinary actions, and developing SMART goals. Recently a group of associates graduated with success. Congratulations to Ana Pantophlet, Nadime Olivares, Mauvalyn Hutchinson, Diana Monzón, Karen Cousins, Sharon Peters, Swinda Hoek, Johannita Croes, Felix Sanchez, Nora Bohorques, Mike Croes, Zariena Webb and Rachella Diephuis. □

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In uncertain times, we must rely on our Faith in our Selves.

When structure falls away, we must make decisions based on what we want from the future and our personal

belief system. If either of these is unclear, our Self-Faith falters, making it harder to make good decisions during our most dire need of Clarity.

If your situation changes unexpectedly or out of your control, re-evaluate your new situation and your new options. If things get crazy, you might have to do this from one moment to the next, or at least one day to the next. With every change that befalls you, re-evaluate the future you want, and the means at your disposal.

Remember that your most powerful tool is your own imagination.

Use your imagination to expand your possibilities. Focus on the feelings that accompany your thoughts. Don't waste time and energy on the thoughts that don't feel good. Focus on the ideas that excite you, and run with them in whatever direction your thoughts take you.

Don't get discouraged if you can't think of a specific way to get to your specific destination. Don't give up on being abundant with something just because you don't know HOW you'll ever get it. Just know that every moment is bringing you closer to your goal, and it will. Not knowing HOW something will come about is why the Path of Life remains a Magical Mystery even though we define the destination.

When life gets challenging and structure disappears, keep in the forefront of your mind that you will find a way past your obstacles and you will find your goals on the other side. With that foundation, discover your Unique Service that other's value, then find a way to

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We all get stuck in situations. It is so easy to be excitedly seduced into a situation that turns out to be not at all what we imagined. We can't fully see the reality of a situation until we're already in it. Instead of thinking about what you don't want and why you're stuck, focus your mind on what you do want.

Don't worry about HOW your life will get you where you want to go, just know that you define the destination and Life takes you there in ways you cannot imagine. If your life spirals out of

control, get Calm, get Clear, and get Clever. Don't make rash, emotional decisions. If you feel stuck, summon the power to see past your present situation, to a future that you define.

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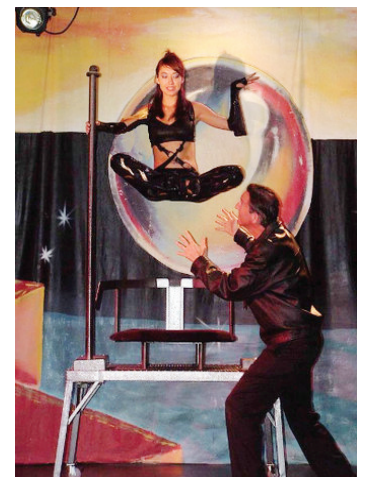
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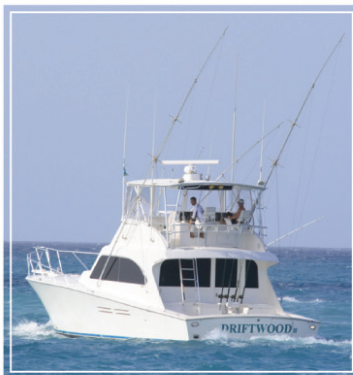
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Riba Bao at Kokomos



PALM BEACH – Carnival fever was raging at Kokomos on Thursday evening when the ATV transmission truck pulled up into the parking lot, delivering a film crew and Aruba's Carnival King, radio personality Ruben Garcia, the motor behind the station's popular Carnival program, Riba Bao.

As Kokomo's owner Andrew Schouten signed up with ATV for the carnival show Riba Bao, to host the ATV program on Thursdays for the entire carnival season, he was there to welcome guests and promote the just-opened restaurant & bar.

Kokomos, a casual eatery, named after the Beach Boys' famous No. 1 hit, will be serving an array of cuisines including Italian, Caribbean, Creole, and Indonesian. Local and Caribbean art—all for sale—will adorn the walls, adding to the restaurant's tropical motif.

When completely open, diners can choose to eat indoors or on the al fresco terrace, where a barbeque will turn out perfectly grilled fish and meats.

On Thursday, balcony tables at Kokomos were occupied by Mojito guzzling guests, Mrs. Carnival, Majestic Carnival Group members and well-known local personality Ochi Henriquez, who helped put the restaurant & bar together for his friends, members of the Schouten family.

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BES laws in Parliament

~ *Opposition to criticise method of operation* ~

THE HAGUE--The Second Chamber's Permanent Committee on Antillean and Aruban Affairs NAAZ on Friday, started the handling of the first six legislation proposals for the BES islands Bonaire, St. Eustatius and Saba. The meeting continues on Monday with the answers of the Dutch Government and the second round of Parliament.

The six laws are just the start: many other pieces of draft legislation will follow. The Dutch Government is in a rush to have the entire package of laws approved because they need to be approved and proclaimed before October 10, 2010, when the Netherlands Antilles should be dismantled. Not all members of the NAAZ committee are satisfied with the method of operation.

Member of Parliament (MP) Johan Remkes of the liberal democratic VVD party and a number of colleagues from the other opposition parties, Ronald van Raak of the Socialist Party SP and Hero Brinkman of the Party for Freedom PVV are opposing the way this package of legislation is being directed through Parliament. They are of the opinion that government shouldn't send the legislation to Parliament in bits and pieces.

Van Raak repeated his earlier remark that this was a "salami-tactic." "Government wants us to approve this legislation so that later on they can say that we have to agree to the rest because the other laws were already passed and that there was no way back," he said on Thursday.

Johan Remkes wants Parliament to handle the Kingdom Consensus law to amend the Charter before the BES legislation. "That is a logical way of doing things. That also goes for the other Kingdom Consensus laws," he said in an interview with The Daily Herald. A majority in Parliament also wants this government to start the procedure to amend the Dutch Constitution so the status of the BES islands as "public entity" can be incorporated.

There will be amendments to the BES legislation, that is for sure. Remkes submitted, as first party, a number of amendments on Thursday. The amendments have to do with the BES electoral law and a number of what he called "essential rights of humans," like same sex marriage, abortion and euthanasia.

The VVD doesn't agree that the Antillean Penal Code remains in effect on the BES islands where it comes to the prohibition of abortion and euthanasia. The VVD, but also the green left party GroenLinks and PVV want the Dutch law to apply so same sex marriages become possible and abortion and euthanasia are no longer forbidden.

Principal objections

The VVD also has "principal objections" to the BES electoral law proposal because it would enable members of the Island Council who don't have the Dutch nationality to indirectly vote for the First Chamber, the Senate. In the Netherlands, one needs to have the Dutch nationality to vote, but in the BES islands a non/Dutch national can vote after residing on the island for five years.

The execution of the new status for the BES islands is more important to GroenLinks than the actual content of the laws. "The legislation is not a bureaucratic highest point, but serves as a framework to improve things for the people. It serves to take care of essential issues like social welfare, education, public health, the environment, proper finances and integrity of government," said MP Ineke van Gent.

MP John Leerdam of the governing Labour Party PvdA agreed with Van Gent. Eliminating the double layer of government, financial supervision and a better justice system are important to Leerdam, but he considered it fundamental that the people would be better off under the new status.

The agreement to realise new statuses in the Kingdom needs to be properly worked out, said Van Gent. "Things should not only be worked out on paper," she said. GroenLinks saw no reason to come with amendments at this stage. The legislation looks "well-prepared," she said.

Sensitive matters

Van Gent said she assumed that "sensitive matters" like same sex marriages would be arranged in the BES islands before October 10, 2010. "You can't be selective when you become part of the Netherlands. In some parts of the Netherlands they are also not enthusiastic about same sex marriages, but they have to accept that a majority in the Netherlands thinks homosexuals should be able to get married," she said.

Hero Brinkman said he planned to present a new motion to force the islands into accepting gay marriages. The PVV doesn't support the constitutional reform process but if the new status for the BES is realised, the islands will have to stick to the constitutional rules of the Netherlands. Brinkman also announced a motion to defer the handling of the BES laws until after the Bonaire referendum. He called it an "insult" that the Dutch Government wanted to "force through" this legislation before the people had a chance to express themselves.

Brinkman even wants to have the handling of the entire legislation package put on hold until after the Dutch Parliamentary elections and announced a motion. It won't be long before those elections take place, he expected. "This cabinet won't make it to summer," he said.

Brinkman is convinced that a majority of the Dutch population doesn't support the Dutch payment of 1.5 billion euros to pay off the Antillean debt. "I think the Dutch people should be able to express themselves on this," he said. He said that PVV will vote against all laws. For now there are no plans to come with law amendments.

Bonaire referendum

Ronald van Raak agreed that no BES laws should be adopted before the Bonaire referendum. "The people there have a right to say whether they support this legislation or not. Approving

legislation is not our hobby. We need to take the wishes of the people into account," he said.

SP will come with amendments but only after all legislation has been sent to Parliament. For now, the party will not say yes to a few legislation proposals before the entire legislation package has been received and the people of Bonaire have expressed their support for the process.

The trajectory to start amending the Constitution should start, said Van Raak. "We should not only formalise the new statuses in the charter, but also in the constitution because the latter doesn't recognise the public entity as a status. We can't change the constitution in ten or twenty years. As Members of Parliament we have sworn the oath to the constitution and so has the State Secretary," he said.

Gigantic package

John Leerdam and his colleague Bas Jan van Bochove of the largest coalition party Christian Democratic Party CDA confirmed that the NAAZ committee today will be handling a "gigantic package" of legislation, even though it concerns "only" six laws. Thousands of pages are involved. "It is a tremendous amount of work and it has to be handled at high speed," said Leerdam. "It is an immense amount of text and demands a thorough preparation," agreed Van Bochove.

"The changing of the constitutional structure is a slow process. We started in 2005 and now we have to hurry because the target date is nearing," said Leerdam, who called on his colleagues to "keep a cool head to make sure that the ship doesn't run ashore." He said the presentation of the laws didn't deserve a "beauty prize."

Van Bochove explained that the legislation proposals are accompanied by a number of changes, and adaptations also had to do with the complexity of the legislation. He said that he too had noticed a few mistakes in the legislation, but he didn't comment on possible amendments. Leerdam said that his party for now didn't see any reasons to come with amendments. "We can always do so at a later stage," he said.

Van Bochove said he didn't think it would be wise to handle the BES laws jointly with the Kingdom Consensus Laws for the BES and countries Curaçao and St. Maarten as well as the changes to the charter. He said it was important to continue diligently on the legislation, because otherwise "there would be a problem" with the Netherlands Antilles disintegrating. "We have to complete this process in time, especially for the BES," he said.

Leerdam said he approved of an evaluation for the BES in five years but at the same time warned that the evaluation process needed to have an "end." "You can't arrange a few things and others not and say that you'll move these ahead to the next five years. The current legislation provides for this. I will make sure I will tell the State Secretary this and I am considering a motion on this point," he said. □



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Erno: Crime, justice need much attention

PHILIPSBURG--Democratic Party (DP) Parliamentarian Erno Labega is happy that the Justice Committee of Parliament will meet here on January 25 to look into the rise in violent crime in St. Maarten.

Labega considers this committee meeting, requested by National Alliance (NA) parliamentarian Rodolphe Samuel, a follow-up to the two Central Committee meetings of Parliament that took place at his request last year with former Justice Minister David Dick and present Minister Magaly Jacoba.

The plight of St. Maarten has been largely ignored by the Central Government coalition, which is supported by the National Alliance, according to Labega, who is deputy leader of DP.

He said that Constitutional Affairs Minister Roland Duncan (NA), by his own admission, had pointed out that getting help for St. Maarten

from his colleague ministers had been difficult at best.

"The plight of St. Maarten is not properly taken care of by the NA, although it is firmly part of the Central Government coalition, yet the party is seeking another run for Parliament. This is where the people have to make a change in their own interest and let DP take the lead," Labega said.

He chastised Duncan for ridiculing the understaffed, under-equipped St. Maarten Police Force "by calling them names, saying they don't work and generally degrading them instead of fighting to get them the tools they so desperately need."

Labega said he had been committed to supporting the police and their work and hoped that the Justice Committee would inspire some real action, and that Ministers Duncan and Jacoba would give their full support to addressing the plight of St. Maarten. □

Dennis: St. Maarten has complied with agreement

PHILIPSBURG--Attendees of the Chapter of Professional Young People (CPYP) forum on constitutional affairs walked away Wednesday night knowing that St. Maarten, in its quest for country status, has complied with all agreements and stipulations of the November 2006 Final Statement brokered with the Dutch Government.

Project Director for Constitutional Affairs and St. Maarten's foremost technocrat Dennis Richardson told the gathering that most of the items from the checklist of the final statement had been accomplished. These have been executed in consensus Kingdom Laws dealing with reorganisation of the Justice system, the Council on Maintenance of Law and Order, social economic development and financial supervision, among other matters.

The development of a joint Central Bank with Curaçao has been lagging behind, but this is expected to pick up, now that the referendum there has taken place. Richardson

said discussions were taking place in this area.

The November 2006 agreement was a stepping stone to getting a date, 10-10-10, pinned down for the attainment of the status of country within the Dutch Kingdom for St. Maarten and Curaçao.

"We have done what we had to do and now the Dutch have to comply with their part in furthering the process," he said.

Richardson also spoke about the division of assets and liabilities of the Netherlands Antilles among the five islands that now make up the country. St. Maarten has been an outstanding supplier of funds to the Social Insurance Bank SVB, like it has been for many other Central Government-owned companies, he pointed out, adding that the island's share had to be determined and transferred.

If St. Maarten has not completed its discussions on what type of national health care scheme it would offer by the time country status is achieved, the possibility exists that SVB may carry on

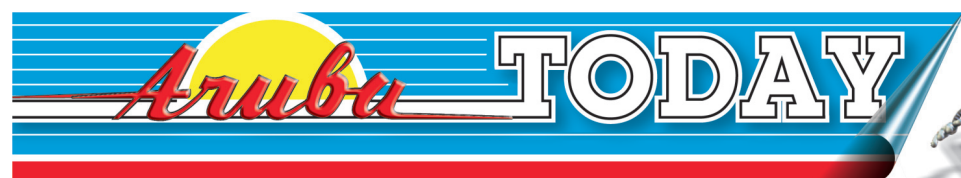
providing service, as it has the infrastructure here, he said.

Members of the audience enquired about the effects the delay by the National Alliance (NA)/Heyliger government in presenting the 2010 budget to the Island Council for approval might have on the attainment of country status.

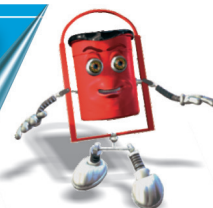
Richardson said that was something the Committee for Financial Supervision CFT would have to deal with. CFT is a supervising body that was born out of the November 2006 Final Statement. It is tasked with overseeing the budgets of five islands and the Central Government as preparations continue for country status.

This was the fourth forum organised by CPYP, a group linked to the Democratic Party (DP).

CPYP President Alston Lourens and Secretary Gerard Richardson welcomed the attendees and encouraged them to keep informed about the process and to remember to vote in the January 22 elections for what is to be the last Parliament of the Netherlands Antilles. □



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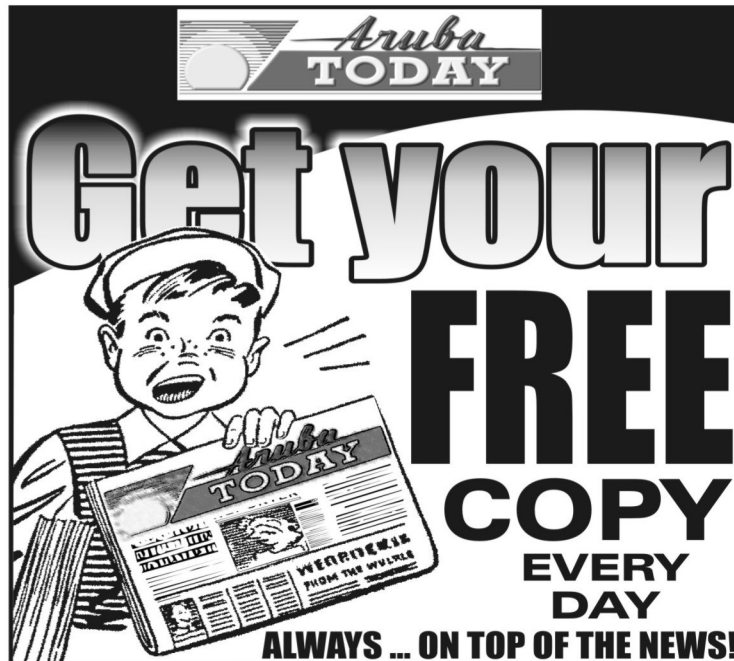
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Perspectivas para mercados chilenos tras elecciones son buenas

SANTIAGO (Reuters) - La bolsa chilena seguiría subiendo en el 2010 y el peso se mantendría fuerte, apoyados en una recuperación de la economía y del cobre, pero podrían tener un impulso adicional de corto plazo si un multimillonario de derecha triunfa en la reñida elección del domingo.

El empresario opositor Sebastián Piñera llega a la segunda vuelta de la elección presidencial con una leve ventaja sobre Eduardo Frei, el candidato del bloque de centroizquierda que durante dos décadas ha gobernado el país.

El principal índice de la bolsa chilena, el IPSA, ha marcado máximos históricos en las últimas sesiones tras haber ganado cerca de un 50 por ciento en el 2009, en una impresionante recuperación luego de una fuerte caída por la crisis financiera mundial. Chile es el mayor productor de cobre en el mundo, cuyo precio alcanzó esta semana un máximo en 19 meses en la Bolsa de Metales de Londres, lo que junto a señales de que la economía local está dejando



Foto de archivo de un operador durante una conversación telefónica al interior de la Bolsa de Comercio de Santiago, oct 13 2008. La bolsa chilena seguiría subiendo en el 2010 y el peso se mantendría fuerte, apoyados en una recuperación de la economía y del cobre, pero podrían tener un impulso adicional de corto plazo si un multimillonario de derecha triunfa en la reñida elección del domingo. REUTERS/Ivan Alvarado (CHILE)

atrás la recesión servirán de impulso para las acciones durante el 2010.

Los analistas anticipan que el IPSA podría subir entre un 15 a un 20 por ciento este año y entre las industrias que más podrían destacar están las productoras de materias primas y el comercio minorista.

“Dentro de los sectores tenemos recomendado commodities. También retail (minoristas) van a andar bien por el mejor consumo interno”, dijo Claudio González, gerente de estudios y estrategia de Tanner Corredores de Bolsa. El avance en los precios internacionales de las materias

primas daría soporte a los mercados locales al menos hasta el primer semestre del año.

“La segunda mitad del año el camino podría hacerse más difícil porque las acciones habrán incorporado una parte buena de beneficios hacia 2010”, dijo Salvador Arenas, analista del departamento de Estudios de Larrain Vial.

RALLY ACOTADO

Si bien se espera que Piñera y Frei mantengan las políticas económicas que han hecho

de Chile el país con menor riesgo crediticio en América Latina, algunos observadores no descartan que si vence el multimillonario eso pueda animar más al mercado bursátil.

Piñera, dueño de una fortuna de unos 1.000 millones de dólares según la revista Forbes y uno de los controladores de la aerolínea LAN, ha dicho que quiere dar más incentivos a los privados.

Frei gobernó Chile entre 1994 y 2000 y ha puesto el énfasis de su campaña en la continuación de los programas sociales de la popular presidenta Michelle Bachelet, que quiere extender a la enorme clase media del país.

“Ninguno de los candidatos pondrá en riesgo la institucionalidad de Chile pero si él (Piñera) consolida la victoria, dado el énfasis que ha puesto en el sector privado, puede generar más entusiasmo en el mercado y beneficiar al peso”, dijo Jimena Zúñiga, economista para Brasil, Chile y México de Barclays Capital Research.

Una proyección de la encuestadora MORI difundida el miércoles, la última antes de los comicios, mostró que Piñera obtendría un 50,9 por ciento de las preferencias, mientras que Frei conseguiría un 49,1 por ciento. □

Sismo de magnitud 5,6 sacude nororiente Venezuela

CARACAS (Reuters) - Un sismo de magnitud 5,6 se sintió el viernes en el nororiente de Venezuela, reportó el Servicio Geológico de Estados Unidos (USGS por su sigla en inglés), causando pánico pero sin que hasta el momento se reportaran daños.

El temblor, que inicialmente tuvo un registro de magnitud de 5,7, se produjo alrededor de las 13.30 hora local (1800 GMT), tuvo una profundidad de unos 10 kilómetros y su epicentro estuvo cerca de 43 kilómetros al sur de Carúpano, en el estado Sucre.

La Fundación Venezolana de Investigaciones Sismológicas (Funvisis) dijo que el sismo tuvo una magnitud de 5,4. Testigos, reportes de radio y televisión dijeron que el movimiento se sintió en la isla de Margarita (estado Nueva Esparta) y en los estados Anzoátegui, Bolívar y Delta Amacuro.

El director de Protección Civil, Luis Díaz, dijo al canal de televisión estatal VTV que hasta el momento no había registro de daños, pero no descartó algunos pequeños en las fachadas de casas y edificios.

La estatal Petróleos de Venezuela (PDVSA) no tenía de inmediato reportes de daños. “Todo el mundo lo sintió.

La gente está alarmada”, dijo vía telefónica María de los Angeles Rondón, residente de Puerto La Cruz. El gobernador de Sucre, Enrique Maestre, dijo que hasta el momento no había hechos que lamentar e hizo un llamado a la calma. “No se ve aparentemente daños aquí (...) la gente sí se puso como nerviosa y salió a las calles porque se sintió muy duro”, dijo a Reuters vía telefónica Milagros Ordaz, una mujer que estaba en el centro de Carúpano. □

En Perú

Lluvias derriban parte de muralla inca Sacsayhuamán

LIMA (Reuters) - Una parte de una muralla de piedra de la fortaleza inca Sacsayhuamán, muy visitada por turistas en el sureste de Perú, se vino abajo debido a las fuertes lluvias que han afectado a esa zona en los últimos días, dijeron autoridades.

Sacsayhuamán está ubicada en una emplanada cercana a la ciudad de Cusco, que fue la capital del Imperio Incaico que tuvo su apogeo entre los siglos XV y XVI.

La fortaleza se erige sobre bloques grandes de piedras y según historiadores habría servido como un emplazamiento ceremonial y militar. Asimismo, durante la conquista española fue un fortín para defender la capital de los incas.

“Por la cantidad de lluvia que cayó, 27 litros por metro cuadrado, ha colapsado un sector del muro, entre cuatro metros de longitud por cinco de altura”, dijo el director del Parque Arqueológico de Sacsayhuamán, Washinton Camacho. □

Latinoamericanos sobrevivientes en Haití son repatriados

BOGOTA (AP) - Un contingente de colombianos residentes en Haití fue evacuado el viernes y otros países latinoamericanos hacían esfuerzos para ubicar a ciudadanos desaparecidos o para sacar a los sobrevivientes que no están involucrados en las actuales tareas de emergencia.

Al aeropuerto militar de Bogotá llegaron seis adultos, cuatro niños y cuatro periodistas -- uno de ellos estadounidense quien trabaja en una televisora local--, que estaban en Puerto Príncipe, informaron las autoridades.

También un grupo de 16 soldados brasileños, algunos de ellos con heridas de diferente gravedad, fue repatriado el viernes desde Haití, donde sobrevivieron al

violento terremoto del martes. Entre los colombianos repatriados estaban el abogado Jorge Arenas, de 39 años, cuya esposa y dos hijos residían en Puerto Príncipe desde hace tres años. En Puerto Príncipe residen unos 400 colombianos entre los que no se han reportado víctimas.

En Brasil, el presidente Luiz Inácio Lula da Silva rindió el viernes homenaje a los brasileños muertos en Haití, y calificó como "héroes" a los soldados caídos en el sismo. El gobierno dominicano también indicó que la cifra de sus ciudadanos muertos llegó a seis, dos más que en la víspera. Otras naciones que reportaron víctimas son Brasil: 15 muertos y 5 desaparecidos; México: 1 muerto; Chile: 3 desaparecidos; El Salvador:



Una mujer llora de dolor mientras espera atención médica en un hospital de Carrefour en la periferia de Puerto Príncipe el viernes 15 de enero del 2010. (Foto AP/Ariana Cubillos)

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desaparecidos. dijo a la estatal Venezolana de sufrieron daños físicos o
El embajador de Venezuela en Televisión que ninguno de los fallecieron en el terremoto. □

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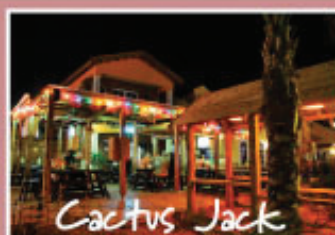


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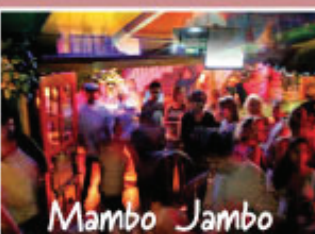
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